

**CAPSULE SUMMARY**  
**BA-0490**  
**Joshua Kemp House**  
**3115 Black Rock Road**  
**Glyndon, Baltimore County**  
**ca. 1818**  
**Private**

Constructed in the Federal-style of architecture, the circa 1818 dwelling is located in the Fifth District village of Butler. The house was constructed after Joshua Kemp purchased land along Black Rock Road in 1817. As early as 1850, Butler was beginning to take shape as an important crossroads community at the intersection of Falls Road and Dover Road. Meanwhile the land to the north of Butler remained rural in character. The 1877 county atlas indicates that the village was growing quickly, but without expanding its borders. In 1870, ownership of the property at 3115 Black Rock Road passed to Kinsey Kemp. This title transfer is confirmed by the 1877 county atlas, in which Kinsey Kemp is depicted as the occupant of the dwelling. Upon Kemp's death in 1917, the property was sold to Columbus and Ivy Tracey. After 1940, the property experienced frequent changes of ownership, all the while remaining a single-family residence. Reflecting a vernacular interpretation of the Federal style, particularly as seen in masonry examples, are the side gable roof, the centered entry capped by a transom with tracery, and the symmetrically placed window openings with double-hung sash windows. The architecture of the Joshua Kemp House is less ornate, suggesting a more modest interpretation of the popular style.

Set on a random rubble stone foundation, the house stands two-and-a-half stories in height and five bays in width. The dwelling is constructed of five-course American bond brick with a stretcher bond façade. The house has a side gable roof with standing seam metal, a molded wood cornice, and four interior brick chimneys with rebuilt caps. The centered entry, sheltered by a portico, consists of a 24-light single-leaf door with a square-edged wood surround. This opening is mimicked at the second story by a fifteen-light single-leaf door with a brick jack arch lintel. The portico has a flat roof with a rooftop balustrade and paired square post supports. Eight 6/6 windows, all with molded wood surrounds, square-edged wood sills, and brick jack arch lintels, pierce the façade or east elevation. There is a two-story, two-bay deep brick ell, a two-story brick addition with a hipped roof, and a two-story, three-bay wide brick wing on the house. There are four outbuildings that were constructed during the middle of the 19th century, including two barns, a smokehouse, and a kitchen. There are three historic resources, a carriage house and two silos that date to the first half of the 20th century.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. BA-0490

### 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Joshua Kemp House (preferred)

other Deer Park

### 2. Location

street and number 3115 Black Rock Road not for publication

city, town GLyndon vicinity

county Baltimore County

### 3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Davison R. and Lucie E. Dulin

street and number 3115 Black Rock Road telephone Not Available

city, town Glyndon state MD zip code 21071-3818

### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courthouse liber 12251 folio 31

city, town Towson tax map 32 tax parcel 3 tax ID number 1900000660

### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District  
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District  
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER  
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Situated on a large agricultural parcel, the Joshua Kemp House was constructed circa 1818 in the Federal style of architecture. Set on a random rubble stone foundation, the house stands two-and-a-half stories in height and five bays in width. The dwelling is constructed of five-course American bond brick with a stretcher bond façade. The house has a side gable roof with standing seam metal, a molded wood cornice, and four interior brick chimneys with rebuilt caps. The centered entry, sheltered by a portico, consists of a 24-light single-leaf door with a square-edged wood surround. This opening is mimicked at the second story by a fifteen-light single-leaf door with a brick jack arch lintel. The portico has a flat roof with a rooftop balustrade and paired square post supports. Eight 6/6 windows, all with molded wood surrounds, square-edged wood sills, and brick jack arch lintels, pierce the façade or east elevation. There is a two-story, two-bay deep brick ell, a two-story brick addition with a hipped roof, and a two-story, three-bay wide brick wing on the house.

There are four outbuildings that were constructed during the middle of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, including two barns, a smokehouse, and a kitchen. The kitchen is constructed of V-notched logs with brick chinking and plaster. Set on a random rubble stone foundation, the kitchen has a front gable roof with both wood shingle and corrugated metal cladding.

The brick smokehouse is set on a random rubble stone foundation and features five-course American bond construction. The front gable roof is clad in corrugated metal. Detailing on the smokehouse includes a hand-hewn log sill and cornice, a jack arch lintel over the single-leaf door, and a brick vent on the rear elevation.

The hay barn is set on a random rubble stone foundation and is clad in vertical board siding. Rising two stories in height, the hay barn has a side gable roof with standing seam metal. It has a circa 1950, concrete block milking parlor addition, which connects it to the bank barn.

The bank barn is set on a coursed stone foundation and is clad in vertical board siding. Three-bays wide the barn rises two-and-a-half stories in height with a side gable, corrugated metal roof.

There are three historic resources, a carriage house and two silos, that date to the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The carriage house was constructed circa 1900 and stands two-and-a-half stories in height. Set on a random rubble stone foundation, the building has board-and-batten siding and a front gable corrugated metal roof. There are two circa 1950 silos with concrete staves, metal bands, and domical metal roofs. They stand approximately fifty feet in height and eight feet in diameter.

The one-story stable was constructed in the 1980s and features concrete block construction, a plywood façade, and a side gable corrugated metal roof.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

**Specific dates** 1818 ca. **Architect/Builder** Unknown

**Construction dates** 1818 ca., 1990 ca.

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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Signifying the new role that the country had taken following the Revolutionary War, the Federal style of architecture followed dominated American architecture from 1790 to 1830 as an updated architectural style for the new republic. High-style Federal buildings are decorated with carved swags and classical motifs on the exterior as well as the interior. Reflective of vernacular interpretations, particularly as seen in masonry examples, are the side gable roof, the centered entry capped by a transom with tracery, and the symmetrically placed window openings with flat lintels and double-hung sash windows. The architecture of the Joshua Kemp House is less ornate, suggesting a more modest interpretation of the popular style.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Rachel Carley, *The Visual Dictionary of American Domestic Architecture* (New York, NY: Henry Holt and Company, 1994), p. 91.

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	146.90 Acres	
Acreage of historical setting	Unknown	
Quadrangle name	Hampstead	Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

### Verbal boundary description and justification

The Joshua Kemp House is located at 3115 Black Rock Road in Glyndon in the Fifth District of Baltimore County. It has been associated with Tax Map 32, Parcel 3 since its construction circa 1818.

## 11. Form Prepared by

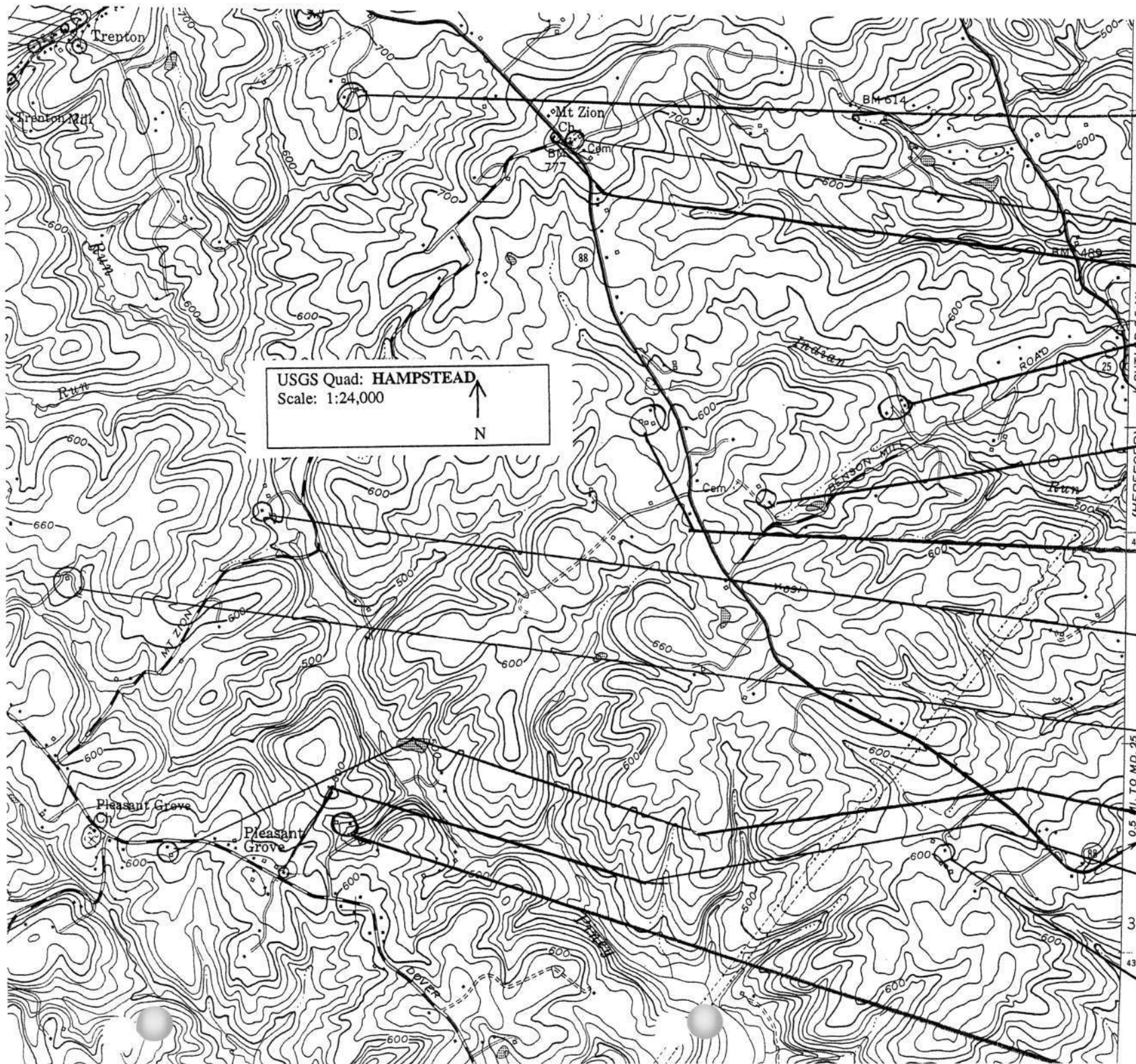
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4017 BLACK ROCK ROAD  
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3600 BLACK ROCK  
ROAD  
BA-0483

BA-0488  
3220 BENSON MILL ROAD  
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3126 BENSON MILL RD  
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BA-0494  
4242 MT. ZION ROAD  
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BA-0548  
15627 DARK HOLLOW ROAD  
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BA-0556  
15276 DOVER ROAD

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15225 DOVER ROAD  
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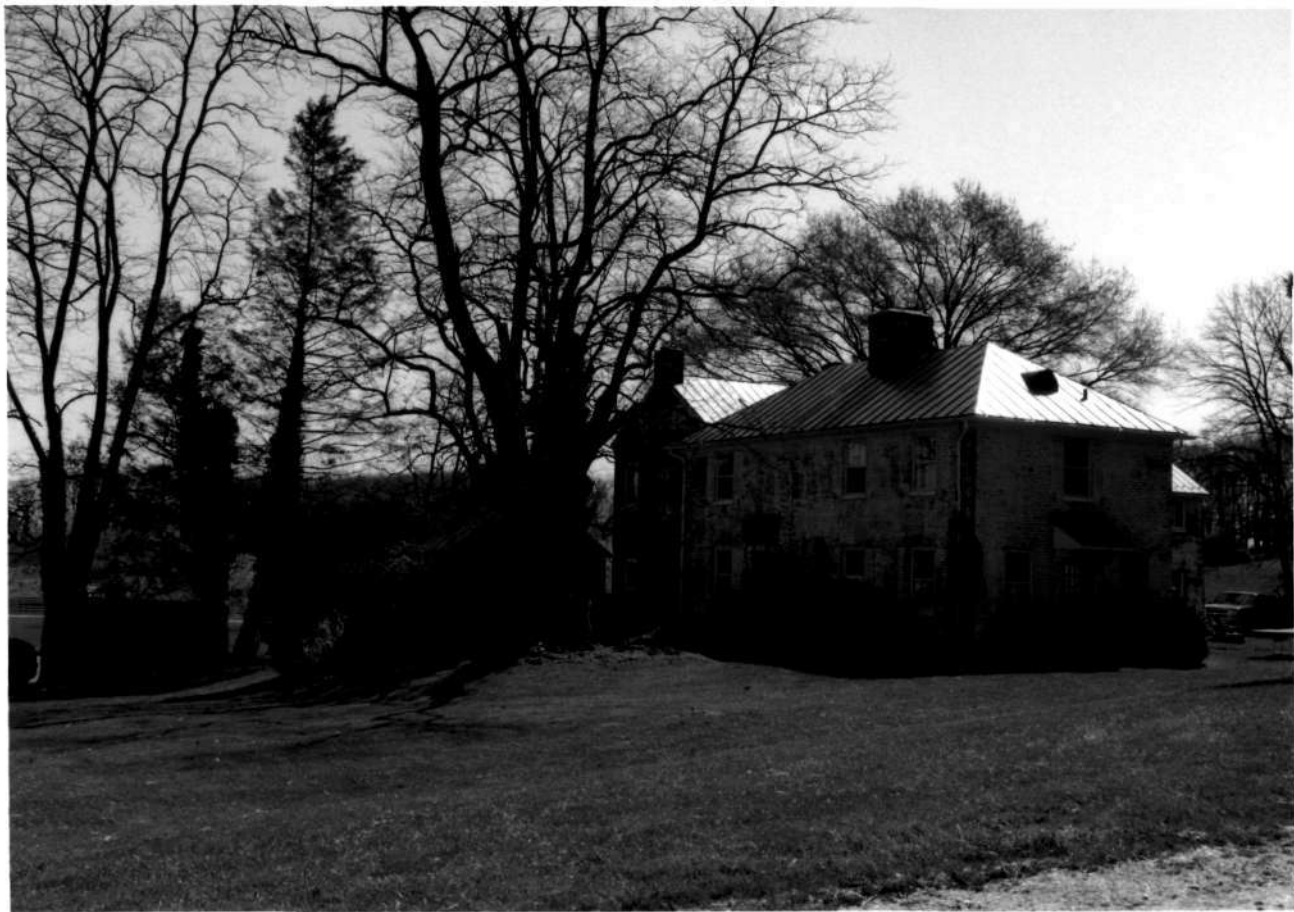
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CARRIAGE HOUSE

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**DEER PARK** - c. 1818 - 3115 Black Rock Road (entrance 0.9 mile southeast of Benson Mill Road. Probably built by Joshua Kemp, who acquired his first parcel here in 1817. It was shown as Joshua Kemp's on the 1850 map and as Kinsey Kemp's in the 1877 atlas. Kinsey Kemp had taken title in 1870, in a deed that mentioned parts of the tracts Deer Park, Caples Habitation, Hooker's Prospect, Good Luck, Chance, Price's Hunting Ground, and the Second Cost. Kinsey Kemp died in 1917 and the heirs sold that year to Columbus and Ivy Tracey. The Traceys sold to Lillian M. Geer of New York City in 1941. The home parcel passed to Jay K. Secor in 1946, to Philip R. Macht in 1950, and to Janon Fisher in 1956. Mr. Fisher was a Master of Fox Hounds, who had previously moved from the Caves and brought the Caves gate posts with him. Following Mr. Fisher's death, the property was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Worrall, who agreed to an easement permitting fox hunting. The main block of this house is five bays wide in a plain Federal style, measuring 20 by 47 feet in the 1918 tax ledger. There are brick jack arches over the windows. There is a one-bay entrance porch with deck, also a box cornice; standing-seam tin roof. Also a long back building; a second story sleeping porch. A garage wing was added in 1954, per Mrs. Fisher. All brick construction.